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## NOTICE

### **IRS E-Mail Scheme Targets Foreign Mission Community**

The Office of Foreign Missions (OFM) has learned that certain members of the foreign mission community have received electronic messages (e-mails) which appear to be from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). These e-mails request that the recipient, as a non-resident of the United States, completed "Form W-4100B2" and return it via fax to the "IRS."

OFM has confirmed with the IRS that these e-mails are **not/not** legitimate and that this effort is considered to be a "Phishing Scheme." Such schemes seek personal and financial information for exploitation. Foreign Missions should note that "Form W-4100B2" is not/not a form used by the IRS or the Department of the Treasury, nor does the IRS solicit personal information via e-mail.

Foreign Missions are strongly encouraged to instruct their members to not respond to this message.

OFM recommends that you visit one or more of the follow websites for additional information on email schemes and identity theft: IRS, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Treasury.

If have any questions, please contact OFM's Office of Diplomatic Property, Taxes, Services & Benefits by e-mail at [OFMTaxCustoms@state.gov](mailto:OFMTaxCustoms@state.gov) or by telephone at (202) 895-3500 x 2. Foreign missions outside of the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area may also contact one of OFM's Regional Offices (Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, San Francisco).

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